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Mr. Samuel Unger, Executive Officer
Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Attention: Renee Purdy / Ivar Ridgeway

Dear Mr. Unger:

CITY OF LOS ANGELES REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION OF THE 31% INTERIM MILESTONE CONTAINED IN THE UPPER LOS ANGELES RIVER ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM – BMP VOLUME CORRECTION

Last September 29, 2017 the City of Los Angeles submitted a request for a time extension of the 31% interim milestone found within the Upper Los Angeles River Enhanced Watershed Management Program (ULAR EWMP) for the City of Los Angeles. Due to human error, the letter erroneously stated that the City of Los Angeles had to meet the required total BMP volume capacity of 119 acre feet by December 2017, though the correct volume capacity should have been 237.9 acre feet. The City regrets the error and is informing your office of this information as soon as it was discovered.

The ULAR EWMP Appendix 7.C, Table 7C-7 (pages 7.C.9 to 7.C.11), provides the distribution of BMP capacity for the various segments of the Los Angeles River and its tributaries attributed to the City of Los Angeles equal to 237.9 acre feet. While EWMP document Figures 7-5 and 7-6 (pages 7-9 to 7-10) provide graphically the same information. The City of Los Angeles is still requesting a phase extension approach to meet the required total BMP volume capacity of 237.9 acre feet that is now required by December 2017 in the ULAR EWMP. The phase one extension would be to December 2021 to complete 158.6 acre feet and the phase two extension would be to December 2024 to complete the remaining 79.3 acre feet.

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As stated in the September 29, 2017 letter, the City maintains that monitoring data has shown the watershed has met the 2017 31% metals milestone and the requested time extensions would allow for flexibility as how the City implements projects moving forward. The City along with the other ULAR EWMP watershed members will be using the upcoming adaptive management process in 2018 to revise the appropriate sections of the ULAR EWMP to reflect the update scheduling of projects to achieve the future milestones as well as BMP capacities based on the most recent monitoring data.

If you have any questions about this request or wish to discuss this further please contact me at (213) 485-0587 or Shahram.Kharaghani@lacity.org or your staff may contact Alfredo Magallanes at (213) 485-3958 or Alfredo.Magallanes@lacity.org.

Sincerely,



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